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In re patent application of:

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 3, 2003

Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the comments below.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee for a two-month extension of time (\$420.00) to Deposit Account No. 50-1063 (Ref. No. AMDP595US).

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CONCLUSION

The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance in view of the above comments. A prompt action to such end is earnestly solicited.

In the event any fees are due in connection with this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1063 (Ref. No. AMDP595US).

Should the Examiner believe a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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